



*“A Lived Experience Panel”*

# Multidisciplinary Approaches to End Homelessness

A Continuum of Care Division Webinar Series

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# About the Webinar Series

## **Purpose**

These webinars provide an opportunity to engage with local and regional experts on best practices, advocacy tools and resources available to prevent and end homelessness in Riverside County.

## **Recorded Webinars**

After the live webinar has taken place, the recording will be added to our website.

## **Upcoming Webinars**

We are working on securing speakers for future webinars and would love to feature you or your agency.

Email [CoC@rivco.org](mailto:CoC@rivco.org) if interested.

# Agenda for Today

**9:00 – 9:05 AM**

**Welcome**

**HHPWS – Continuum of Care  
Staff: Tanya Torno, Deputy  
Director**

**9:05 – 9:10 AM**

**Overview of workshop**

**Greg Rodriguez, CoC Chair**

**9:05 – 9:55 AM**

**Lived Experience Panel  
Discussion**

**Christina, Family Homelessness  
Monique, Youth Homelessness  
Adan, LGBTQ+ Homelessness  
Roberto, Senior Homelessness  
Angela, Homelessness to Provider  
Diane, Justice Involved Homelessness**

**9:50 – 10:00 AM**

**Grounding Exercise:  
Alexis Earkman, Behavioral Health Services Supervisor**

# Lived Experience Panel

## **CHRISTINA,**

A wife and mother of five children, will share on her journey from homelessness into permanent housing.

## **MONIQUE**

A twenty-three-year-old young adult, whose story is one that demonstrates resiliency and perseverance.

## **ADAN**

Attributes his success out of homelessness to the large community support he received from the housing teams assisting him.

## **ROBERTO**

Utilized his time in Project Roomkey to acquire Social Security and transition to a permanent housing program for seniors.

## **ANGELA**

Her and her husband found God and through their faith found a way out of addiction and homelessness.

## **DIANE**

Is making great strides in an Adult Reentry Grant Program home for formerly incarcerated women.

# Panel Discussion Questions

- ▶ Based on your experience, what would you say was the most critical factor (or one thing) that really helped you resolve your homelessness? What worked and what didn't?
- ▶ Based on your experience, what additions or changes would you recommend we add to our programs to address homelessness in a more effective way?
- ▶ Based on your experience, what advice would you give to people who provide services such as emergency shelter workers, street outreach teams, behavioral health caseworkers, counselors, and other teams who provide housing assistance?
- ▶ How long did it take for you to receive assistance?
- ▶ Any last word of advice to our homeless service providers and administrators would you give before we close?

# Grounding Exercises

- ▶ **Alexis Earkman,**  
**Behavioral Health Services**  
**Supervisor**

# Questions and Comments



Next Webinar: AIDS/HIV Programs  
on  
October 14, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.